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1. PRC INFORMAL DRAFT TREATY ARTICLES ON TERRITORIAL CONFIDENTIAL

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SEA, STRAITS AND EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE ARE BEING CIRCULATED EXTENSIVELY AMONG LOS DELEGATIONS. PRC THRID SECRETARY WU TSIEN- MIN TOLD DELOFF MARCH 28 CHINA DOES NOT PLAN INTRODUCE DRAFT ARTICLES AT THIS SESSION.

- 2. SOVIET DELOFF ROMANOV, WHO HAS COPY PRC DRAFT, EXPRESSED PREDICTABLE HORROR AND INFORMALLY ASKED US OPINION ON WHAT USSR AND US COULD DO TO DISCOURAGE COUNTRIES FROM CO- SPONSORING. HE SAID HE UNDERSTANDS CHINESE PRESSURING PERU TO CO- SPONSOR.
- 3. ICELAND SAID IT TURNED DOWN CHINESE REQUEST TO CO- SPONSOR. CASTANEDA (MEXICO) TOLD US DEL REP MOORE THAT PRC DOCUMENT " NAIVE." SINGAPORE REP SAID THERE APPREAED TO BE GENERAL LACK OF ENTHUSIASM FOR PRC DRAFT AND AUSTRALIAN REP EXPRESSED SIMILAR SENTIMENT. CHINESE ASKED SINGAPORE CO- SPONSOR AND RECEIVED NON- COMMITTAL REPLY.
- 4. COMMENT: PRC DRAFT ARTICLES CONTRARY TO BASIC US
 OCEANS POLICY PROPOSALS AND INTERESTS. ACTIVITY OF
 SIZABLE PRC DEL INDICATES IT LOBBYING WITH MANY
 COUNTRIES FOR SUPPORT ITS DRAFT, WHICH REPRESENTS FIRST
 MAJOR UN INITIATIVE SINCE ADMITTANCE IN 1971. WHETHER
 OR NOT PRC FORMALLY TABLES ITS DRAFT THIS SESSION, CHINESE
 PRESUMABLY WILL LOBBY FOR SUPPORT BETWEEN NOW AND SUMMER LOS
 MEETINGS IN GENEVA. WE DO NOT RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT REQUEST
 EMBASSIES

INITIATE ANY DISCUSSION ON CHINESE DRAFT IN CAPITALS AT THIS TIME, ALTHOUGH WE WOULD OF COURSE BE INTERESTED IN LEARNING ANY INFORMATION REGARDING ATTITUDES TOWARD DRAFT WHICH EMBASSIES MAY ACQUIRE. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH REPEAT THIS TELEGRAM AS WELL AS REFTEL TO ADDITIONAL POSTS.

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